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**Tasmanian Key Indicators** (cat. no. 1304.6) provides an overview of economic and social indicators and is released on a monthly basis. Updates this month: **Labour Force, Wages and Prices, Finance, and Consumption and Investment.**

Explanatory Notes are not included in the form found in other ABS publications. Please see the Explanatory Notes contained in related ABS publications (links to source documents are provided in the summary tables).

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## Labour Force



## LABOUR FORCE

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value	Change previous month (Tas)	Change corresponding month previous year (Tas)
<b>Apr 2008</b>					
Unemployment rate(a) - trend	6202.0	4.5%	4.1%	-0.2 pts	-0.7 pts

No. of unemployed persons(a) - trend	6202.0	11 000	453 100	-3.5%	-11.3%
No. of employed persons(a) - trend	6202.0	231 300	10 706 100	0.2%	2.6%
Participation rate(a) - trend	6202.0	60.8%	65.3%	0.0 pts	0.7 pts
<b>2006</b>					
No. of volunteers(b) ('000)	4441.0	130.9	5 226.5	..	..
Volunteer rate(b)	4441.0	36.0%	34.1%	..	..
Total annual hours of voluntary work(b)	4441.0	17.7 million	713.1 million	..	..
Median annual hours of voluntary work(b)	4441.0	55	56	..	..

.. not applicable

(a) Persons aged 15 years and over.

(b) Persons aged 18 years and over.

#### More Detailed Source Information

Labour Force, Australia (cat. no. 6202.0)

Voluntary Work, Australia (cat. no. 4441.0)

## Wages and Prices



### WAGES AND PRICES

	Source	Value	% Change previous period	% Change corresponding period previous year
<b>Mar Qtr 2007</b>				
CPI all groups:	6401.0	161.3	1.3	3.8
Hobart(a)				
Price index of materials used in house building:	6427.0	163.9	1.0	4.7
Hobart(a)				
House price index numbers: Hobart(b)	6416.0	p143.7	p-0.7	p8.2
Wage Price Index, Tasmania(b)	6345.0	118.0	0.9	3.6
<b>Feb Qtr 2007</b>				
Average weekly earnings - full-time adult ordinary time - trend	6302.0	\$1 019.00	0.6	3.5
<b>2005-2006</b>				
Median income - gross household income per week	6523.0	\$850	..	..

.. not applicable

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- (a) Baseline: 1989-90=100.0.  
 (b) Baseline: 2003-04=100.0.

#### More Detailed Source Information

Consumer Price Index, Australia (cat. no. 6401.0)  
 Producer Price Indexes, Australia (cat. no. 6427.0)  
 Labour Price Index, Australia (cat. no. 6345.0)  
 House Price Indexes: Eight Capital Cities (cat. no. 6416.0)  
 Average Weekly Earnings, Australia (cat. no. 6302.0)  
 Household Income and Income Distribution, Australia (cat. no. 6523.0)

## Tourism



### TOURISM

	Source	Value	% Change previous quarter	% Change corresponding quarter previous year
<b>Dec Qtr 2007</b>				
No. of hotels, motels and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms	8635.0	155	0.6	-1.3
Takings from accommodation: Hotels, motels and serviced apartments with 15 or more rooms	8635.0	\$50.3m	..	5.3

.. not applicable

#### More Detailed Source Information

Tourist Accommodation, Australia (cat. no. 8635.0)

## Finance



### FINANCE

	Source	Value	% Change previous period	% Change corresponding period previous year
<b>Mar 2008</b>				
Housing finance commitments for owner occupation: dwellings financed(a) - trend	5609.0	1 396	0.0	16.1

**Dec Qtr 2007**

Private capital expenditure: actual	5625.0	\$246m	5.6	(c)28.1
total expenditure - chain volume measures(b) - trend				

(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

(b) Reference year 2004-05.

(c) Break in this series between December 2006 and March 2007 caused by the privatisation of Telstra. For further information please see Information Paper: Future Treatment of Telstra in ABS Statistics, 2007 (cat. no. 8102.0).

**More Detailed Source Information**

Housing Finance, Australia (cat. no. 5609.0)

Private New Capital Expenditure and Expected Expenditure, Australia (cat. no. 5625.0)

## Consumption and Investment



### CONSUMPTION AND INVESTMENT

	Source	Value	% Change previous period	% Change corresponding period previous year
<b>Mar 2008</b>				
Sales of new motor vehicles - trend	9314.0	1 705	-0.2	6.7
Retail turnover at current prices - trend	8501.0	\$426.4m	0.3	5.0
No. of dwelling units approved - trend	8731.0	246	-2.4	-0.4
<b>Dec Qtr 2007</b>				
No. of dwelling units commenced - trend	8752.0	753	4.4	3.0

**More Detailed Source of Information**

Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Australia (cat. no. 9314.0)

Retail Trade, Australia (cat. no. 8501.0)

Building Approvals, Australia (cat. no. 8731.0)

Building Activity, Australia (cat. no. 8752.0)

## State Accounts



### STATE ACCOUNTS

Source	Value	% Change previous period	% Change corresponding period
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			period previous year	
<b>Dec Qtr 2007</b>				
State Final Demand: chain volume measures - trend	5206.0	\$5 353m	1.6	6.7
International trade - export of goods - trend	5206.0	\$800m	1.8	2.6
International trade - import of goods - trend	5206.0	\$160m	4.2	6.7
<b>2006-07</b>				
Gross State Product: chain volume measures(a)	5220.0	\$19 239m	..	2.1

.. not applicable

(a) Reference year 2004-05.

### More Detailed Source Information

Australian National Accounts: National Income, Expenditure and Product (cat. no. 5206.0)

Australian National Accounts: State Accounts (cat. no. 5220.0)

## Population



### POPULATION

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value
<b>Sep Qtr 2007</b>			
Estimated resident population	3101.0	p494 520	p21 097 148
Net interstate migration	3101.0	p257	..
Net overseas migration	3101.0	p354	p47 225
Population growth rate	3101.0	p0.24%	p0.38%
<b>At 30 Jun 2007</b>			
Proportion of population aged 0-14 years	3101.0	p19.6	p19.4
Proportion of population aged 15-64 years	3101.0	p65.6	p67.5
Proportion of population aged 65 and over	3101.0	p14.8	p13.1
Proportion of population aged 85 years and over	3101.0	p1.8	p1.6
Median age of population (years)	3201.0	p39.1	p36.8
<b>2006-07</b>			
Fertility rate (children per female)	3101.0	p2.2	p1.9
<b>2006</b>			
Life expectancy at birth - males (years)	3302.0	77.4	78.7
Life expectancy at birth - females (years)	3302.0	82.3	83.5
<b>At 8 Aug 2006 (Census night)</b>			

Proportion of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population(a)	Census QuickStats	3.5%	2.3%
Proportion of population born overseas(a)	Census QuickStats	10.6%	22.2%

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.. not applicable

(a) Based on place of usual residence.

#### More Detailed Source Information

Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0)

2006 Census QuickStats: Tasmania

For further information about Census QuickStats see: <https://www.abs.gov.au/census>.

Population by Age and Sex, Australian States and Territories (cat. no. 3201.0)

Deaths, Australia (cat. no. 3302.0)

## Living Arrangements



### LIVING ARRANGEMENTS

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value
<b>2006</b>			
Crude marriage rate (per 1,000 population)	3306.0.55.001	p5.4	p5.5
Crude divorce rate (per 1,000 population)	3307.0.55.001	p2.5	p2.5
<b>At 30 Jun 2003</b>			
No. of households	4442.0	194,200	7 640 200
Lone person households as proportion of total households	4442.0	28.2%	25.2%
No. of families	4442.0	135 100	5 532 400
Couple-only families as proportion of all families	4442.0	39.6%	37.7%
No. of families with children aged 0-17 years	4442.0	62 800	2 509 600
One parent families with children aged 0-17 years as proportion of all families with children aged 0-17 years	4442.0	25.6%	21.6%

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#### More Detailed Source Information

Marriages, Australia (cat. no. 3306.0.55.001)

Divorces, Australia (cat. no. 3307.0.55.001)

Family Characteristics, Australia (cat. no. 4442.0)

## Mortality



## MORTALITY

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value
<b>2006-07</b>			
Standardised death rate (per 1,000 population)	3101.0	p6.8	p5.9
Infant mortality rate (per 1,000 live births)	3101.0	p3.6(a)	p4.6(a)

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(a) Tasmanian infant mortality rates are based on relatively small numbers, so caution is advised when comparing with the Australian rate.

### More Detailed Source Information

Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0)

## Education



## EDUCATION

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value
<b>2007</b>			
Year 10 to year 12 apparent retention rate (full-time students)	4221.0	65.3%	75.6%
<b>2006</b>			
Reading - proportion of year 5 students reaching national benchmarks(a)(b)	MCEETYA	94.1%	88.4%
Writing - proportion of year 5 students reaching national benchmarks(a)(b)	MCEETYA	87.5%	93.8%
Numeracy - proportion of year 5 students reaching national benchmarks(a)(b)	MCEETYA	88.7%	90.3%

(a) The achievement percentages reported in this table are subject to error and have 95% confidence intervals of less than 2% difference. For example, for Tasmanian students reaching the reading benchmark, there is a 95% chance that the true percentage lies between 93.1% and 95.1%.

(b) Students who were absent or withdrawn from testing are not classified as assessed students and are not included in the benchmark calculations. The proportion of absent and withdrawn students varies considerably across jurisdictions, hence caution should be exercised when comparing results.

### More Detailed Source Information

Schools, Australia (cat. no. 4221.0)

Ministerial Council on Education, Employment, Training and Youth Affairs (MCEETYA): <http://www.mceetya.edu.au/mceetya/>

# Health



## HEALTH

	Source	Tas. value	Aust. value
<b>2004-05</b>			
Current smokers (as proportion of persons aged 18 years and over)	4362.0	25.5%	23.1%
Overweight/obese adults (as proportion of persons aged 18 years and over)	4362.0	48.8%	49.2%
Adults who are sedentary (as proportion of persons aged 18 years and over)	4362.0	34.1%	34.0%

### More Detailed Source Information

National Health Survey: Summary of Results; State Tables (cat. no. 4362.0)

## About this Release

Tasmanian Key Indicators is a web-based product containing the latest social and economic summary data on Tasmania, including labour force, wages and prices, tourism, finance, consumption and investment, state accounts, population, living arrangements, mortality, education and health. It is released on a monthly basis.

Tasmanian Key Indicators features links to source publications on the ABS website to enable readers to explore particular topics in more detail. The data is also presented in an Excel spreadsheet in the Details tab. Replaces: Tasmanian Statistical Indicators (cat. no. 1303.6).

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